

with the Women's Airforce Service Pilots (WASP), who flew military aircraft in support of the Army Air Forces. After seven months of training, she flew engineering flight tests, copiled B-24s, and flew administrative flights in C-45s at bases in Texas, Ohio, Mississippi, and Wyoming.

After the WASP program disbanded, Doris moved to La Veta with her family to start a store. It was there she met Julian Tracy at a local dance. They were married in 1946 and raised two daughters together, Glenna Lee and Julie. In addition to running the store, she was active with the PTA, the Francisco Fort Museum, and the Eastern Star, and enjoyed searching the Colorado hills for artifacts.

In March 2010, Doris was in attendance here in Washington as the WASP were presented with the Congressional Gold Medal for their service to the nation. She passed away at the age of ninety on July 29, 2010, and was survived by her daughters, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Doris Tracy. I rise today to salute this one-of-a-kind woman who is remembered for her smile, warmth, and patriotism.

#### ON THE WINGS OF LUKE

### HON. VIRGINIA FOXX

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 16, 2011*

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following poem.

#### ON THE WINGS OF LUKE

All in . . .  
 All in those most darkest hours of war . . .  
 When, that precious life so lies before . . .  
 All in that balance that which so insures . . .  
 When, who lives or dies . . .  
 'Oh but to so see another sunrise . . .  
 When, a loved one's caress will so shower  
 . . .  
 Such faith and strength, in all of its great  
 power . . .  
 As their loved ones encouragement will so  
 flower . . .  
 Such strength and faith all in these hours  
 . . .  
 All in these precious moments which above  
 all else so towers . . .  
 With loved ones at their sides, as against all  
 odds they so reach for the skies . . .  
 Where, the beginning of hope and healing so  
 lies!  
 But, comes the very will to live or die!  
 While, in the coming months and days . . .  
 As into the year as do they . . .  
 As upon bended knees so pray . . .  
 As upon The Wings of Luke their loved ones  
 arrive this day . . .  
 From all across our Country Tis of Thee,  
 come their loved ones all in tears to  
 provide such relief . . .  
 I open arms hope we now see!  
 To provide the strength that they all need!  
 For all of these great American families our  
 hearts so bleed . . .  
 Because, the one thing that which but means  
 the most!  
 I but when loved ones lie all in arms length  
 so very close!  
 Because hearts of love can lift such souls  
 higher!  
 To help win all of those battles, all in these  
 times so dire . . .  
 That in the end but mean the most . . .  
 So On These Wings of Luke . . .

We give these great America's families what  
 they need most . . .

All in this battle, when recovery and death  
 lies close . . .

For a family's love but means most!

From on The Wings of Luke comes hope . . .

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. PETER FRIEDMAN

### HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 16, 2011*

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I stand here today to express my gratitude to Dr. Peter Friedman who served as my Congressional Fellow this year. Pete served as my point person on energy issues with the Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee and was responsible for all nuclear and defense related issues in my office.

Pete's background as chairman of an engineering department, a naval officer, and engineering background, provided me with unique technical knowledge of nuclear power and defense issues. His expertise came to the forefront during the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear reactor accident. Pete provided me with data-driven, measured advice on the crisis which was both forward-looking and justifiable. It was an important year for nuclear energy and it was good to have Pete on my staff.

In the appropriations process, Pete developed well-researched and insightful positions, which properly prioritized the spending on energy projects based on their potential impact. His astute political insights and his willingness and ability to learn the legislative process served me very well.

I benefited greatly from Pete's advice, knowledge and work ethic over the past year. I want to thank him, and commend him, for a job well done. I also want to thank his wife, Sylvia, and daughter, Helen, for allowing us to have Pete for the year. I know it wasn't easy for them to have him away for such a long period. I am sure they will be glad to have him back and that he will be glad to resume his position as Chairman of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth.

Finally, I want to thank the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for sponsoring Pete as a Congressional Fellow. At a time when the world is becoming increasingly technical and competitive, Congress benefits from the advice of experienced and educated experts.

#### URGING TURKEY TO SAFEGUARD ITS CHRISTIAN HERITAGE

SPEECH OF

### HON. JANICE HAHN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 13, 2011*

Ms. HAHN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 306 that the House passed earlier this week.

Wherever we see repression, wherever we see atrocities being swept under the rug, we have a moral duty to speak out. Members of NATO are no exception.

Today in Turkey, beautiful and historic Armenian churches, monuments and monasteries lie in ruins—broken not by the sands of time, but by desecration, theft and dynamite.

For too long, the U.S. has allowed Turkey to elude responsibility for the destruction of Armenian churches. With this resolution, Congress sends a stern message to Turkey's Prime Minister, Recep Erdogan—the United States will not tolerate Turkish assaults on Armenian heritage and religious freedom.

The passage of House Resolution 306 earlier this week was an important step towards justice for the Armenian people, but our work is unfinished. Until the U.S. and Turkey officially recognize the Armenian Genocide for what it was, I will continue to fight to correct the staggering injustice of soft-peddling the murder of 1.5 million men, women and children.

#### HONORING DAVID MONTGOMERY

### HON. CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 16, 2011*

Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to note the passing of David Montgomery, after a long and well-lived life.

David Montgomery had many roles in his life: machinist, union activist, educator, author and, most importantly, father and husband.

Dr. Montgomery came to my state of Connecticut in 1979, where he had a distinguished research, writing and teaching career. It was there that he wrote his most notable work, "Fall of the House of Labor: The Workplace, the State and American Labor Activism, 1865–1925," which was a Pulitzer Prize finalist in 1989.

More than an author though, Dr. Montgomery was an activist who started his career not in academia, but on the shop floor. In the 1950s, after graduating from college, he went to work as a machinist, where he began to organize workers to join the International Association of Machinists. He was black-listed and fired from his first job in Minneapolis as a result of his organizing efforts, as he was repeatedly throughout his career. Yet, instead of ceding his cause, he continued to fight for his values. He then made a remarkable transition: he earned his doctorate and began a career in teaching. Dr. Montgomery taught at several colleges, eventually becoming the Farnum Professor of History at Yale.

But whatever job he had, he never stopped being an activist. Dr. Montgomery helped strengthen the resolve of workers and activists while teaching in New Haven. His research and teaching informed his students about the history of working people, and he inspired generations of students to study that history as they sought to change the nation. He knew that by valuing the dignity of work and recognizing workers' struggle for justice in their workplace and country, we could help build a more just society.

A former student of his, Jennifer Klein, captured his essence when she said in a press account that Dr. Montgomery was not only "the model of the scholar-activist but also the activist-scholar."